



DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

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**OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL**

WASHINGTON, DC 20201



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Mr. F. Edward Kirby, Jr.  
Director, Medicaid Investigations Division  
North Carolina Department of Justice  
5505 Creedmoor Road, Suite 300  
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Dear Mr. Kirby:

As provided under Federal regulations at 45 CFR § 1007.20(a)(4)(iv), the Office of Inspector General (OIG) approves the renewal application of the North Carolina Medicaid Investigations Division (MID) to conduct data mining. In considering the application, we have consulted with the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

This approval covers a 3-year period beginning November 13, 2023, and ending November 12, 2026. Under the regulations, the MID may request renewal of this approval for additional 3-year periods by submitting a written request to OIG. An application for renewal should be submitted to OIG no later than September 29, 2026. Please ensure that you include the outcomes of your data mining activities as part of the MID's recertification materials that are due by November 1, 2023, as outlined in section 1007.17(a)(1)(ii) of the regulations.

If you have any questions, please contact Keith Peters of my staff at [Keith.Peters@oig.hhs.gov](mailto:Keith.Peters@oig.hhs.gov).

Sincerely,

**RICHARD STERN**

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